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FOR SSM

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PFOR, OGEN, UN
SUBJECT: BEDOUIN FIRING IN BUFFER ZONE

1. AT 0912 LOCAL TIME ON SEPTEMBER 13, E-SYSTEMS PERSONNEL IN VEHICLE OBSERVED HERD OF 13 CAMELS ACCOMPANIED BY 3 APPARENT BEDOUIN ON MITLA-GIDDI ROAD BETWEEN UN CHECKPOINTS GOLF AND MIKE AT COORDINATES 7912/820 ON 1:1000 MAP. TWO BEDOUIN WERE ARMED WITH SHOULDER-FIRED WEAPONS. IT APPEARED THAT BEDOUIN HAD DUG UP A WATER PIPE IN ORDER TO WATER CAMELS. AS SFM PERSONNEL SLOWED DOWN TO COUNT CAMELS, ONE SHOT WAS FIRED BY BEDOUIN; HOWEVER IT WAS UNKNOWN IF SHOT WAS AIMED AT OR AWAY FROM SFM PERSONNEL. CAMELS AND BEDOUIN THEN RAN OFF IN EASTERLY DIRECTION. UNEF

HQS AND GHANBATT WERE IMMEDIATELY INFORMED OF INCIDENT AND PATROLS WERE DESPATCHED TO AREA.

2. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, BEDOUIN RECENTLY HAVE BEEN OBSERVED
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WITH INCREASED FREQUENCY IN BUFFER ZONE. HOWEVER, THIS MARKS FIRST INCIDENT OF BEDOUIN FIRING IN ORDER APPARENTLY TO SCARE OFF SFM PERSONNEL.

3. RICHARD CRAMER, CORRESPONDENT FOR "PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER", WAS VISITING SFM AT TIME OF INCIDENT AND IS AWARE OF IT. HOWEVER, I DOWNPLAYED INCIDENT AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT CRAMER

WILL DO LIKEWISE IF HE SHOULD INCLUDE IT IN ANY STORY HE WRITES
FOR HIS NEWSPAPER.
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